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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Hiroshi Sato) Confirmation No.: 2394
Application No. 10/571,070) Group Art Unit: 3673
Filed: March 8, 2006) Examiner: G. W. Estremsky
For: CONNECTED STAPLE) Mail Stop RCE
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Commissioner for Patents
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AMENDMENT WITH RCE

In response to the Final Office Action dated December 2, 2008 and Advisory Action dated February 25, 2009, the period for response to which extends through April 2, 2009 with the attached petition for a one-month extension of time, and filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows.